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## **Management Board Meeting**

### Development and Improvement Groups (DIGs): Highlights and Issues Report

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Safe DIG
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### 1 Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting

The SWLG have now met and the Action Plan has moved forward and milestones have been decided which were presented to the group.

All members have been consulted and have agreed to review which partner is best placed to achieve the milestones and present back to the group to enable the Action Plan to be presented to the WDCP in November.

Operation Moonbeam – Bonfire Night Safety was discussed with SFRS stating they have already begun visiting schools along with Police to promote safety and ASB around this time of year.

Firework control zones will not be implemented this year however a data gathering process will take place in order to develop this going forward next year.

The Prevention & Interventions Team are now fully staffed which will lead to more partnership working going forward.

The team are in the process of designing a crime seminar to hold in the Clydebank Shopping Centre leading up to the festive period to encourage shop owners to engage, offer prevention advice and give uniform presence in the location to boost the ongoing action plan with partners.

WD Housing lead will work with Safe DIG partners to develop the tenants newsletter to include preventative messages leading up to the winter months especially in terms of flooding of empty properties, frozen pipe issues. Will also include which agency to contact in case of emergency.

The new Chief Constable in PS has now made her pledge which includes partnership working being very high up on her agenda.

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There has been a lot of positive engagement with the local shopkeepers and retailers around shoplifting and ASB. Bespoke crime prevention advice has been given and very well received.

The MSP for drugs and alcohol visited the community team, mobile unit and Planet Youth and she was very impressed with what she saw.

Drug, alcohol and suicide deaths are currently showing a reduction which is encouraging.

SFRS are pushing to increase membership in the PAWS group and to look at electing another chair moving forward.

# 2 Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed

Financial cuts and restraints have taken place across WD council leading to some posts becoming streamlined.

No reduction of services at this time.

Superintendent Gibson is moving on therefore this is her last Safe DIG. Her replacement is yet to start in post however the Super will remain as SPOC for the Safe DIG until he comes on board.

### 3 Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting

All partners to consider joining in the PAWS group and who may be best placed to undertake the Chair role.

4 What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board?

All partners to consider which "milestone" from the Action Plan sits best with which partner and to update the group

### 5 | Please outline any good news story you wish to share

The Action Plan is looking positive and includes the issue relevant to the Safe DIG. All members have had an input and continue to do so.

West Dunbartonshire Area Commander Ryan McMurdo has been confirmed in his rank of Chief Inspector and remains in post having an overview of all local policing activity in West Dunbartonshire. We have also welcomed a further 14 new probationers to Argyll & West Dunbartonshire Policing Division. At the end of August, our new officers have spent a week at our Headquarters in Dumbarton preparing to be deployed to local policing teams across the division.

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